



Docket No.: 50395-134

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takemi HASEGAWA, et al.

Application No.: 10/076,603

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Group Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: Hoffmann, John M.

Title: OPTICAL FIBER AND OPTICAL FIBER TRANSMISSION LINE, AND
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

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Sir:

The present Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the final Office
Action dated August 18, 2004 together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed
concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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It is believed that pending claims 1-16 are now in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request an early and favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application. If there are any outstanding issues which might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' representative at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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